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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY Pacific Wood Treating Company SOUTHWEST REGIONAL OFFICE 111 West Division Street Ridgfield, WA 98642

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is Notice of Penalty, No. DE 83-284. All correspondence relating to this Notice should be directed to the enforcement officer. If you have any questions concerning the content of the Notice, please call Tom Eaton, Tumwater, telephone 753-6375.

A form entitled "Acknowledgment of Service" is also enclosed. Please sign this form and return it to this office.

Sincerely,

Gail Keyes

Enforcement Officer

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Enclosures



#### DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

IN THE MATTER OF COMPLIANCE BY ) NOTICE OF PENALTY
PACIFIC WOOD TREATING COMPANY ) INCURRED AND DUE
with Chapter 70.105 RCW and the ) No. DE 83-284
Rules and Regulations of the )
Department of Ecology )

To: Pacific Wood Treating Company 111 West Division Street Ridgefield, WA 98642

> Elmer Muffett Ridgefield Brick and Tile 3510 N.W. 289th St. Ridgefield, WA 98642

## Notice

Notice is hereby given that you have incurred a penalty in the amount of \$20,000.00 under the provisions of RCW 70.105.080.

#### Findings

Pacific Wood Treating Company (PWT) has operated an unpermitted dangerous waste management facility for the disposal of a listed dangerous waste (K001) since 1978. The disposal facility, known as Ridgefield Brick and Tile (RBT), located near the intersection of N.W. 289th Street and N.W. 31st Avenue, Ridgefield, WA, is owned by Elmer C. Muffett. PWT, located at 111 West Division Street, Ridgefield, WA, and Elmer Muffet failed to:

- Notify the Washington Department of Ecology (WDOE) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of their activity at this site;
- Submit a Part A permit application for the RBT site.

Although the WDOE and EPA acknowledge your statement that PWT's intent was to include the RBT site in PWT's notification and Part A permit application, dated August 11, 1980 and November 20, 1980, respectively, those submittals do not qualify the RBT site for interim status for the following reasons:

- 1. The Part A permit application packet clearly states that noncontiguous properties require separate Part A applications.
- 2. RBT did not sign as owner on PWT application.
- 3. The RBT's site was not indicated on PWT's Part A application site map (Section IX).
- 4. PWT has not complied with any of the interim status standards as per Chapter 173-300-310 through 400 for this site.

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# Mitigation

The penalty assessed herein shall be due and payable thirty (30) days after your receipt of this Notice unless you submit an Application for Relief from Penalty to the Department of Ecology. An Application for Relief from Penalty may be submitted on the enclosed form; you may also attach any other material that you believe relevant to your Application. An Application for Relief from Penalty must be submitted to the department within fifteen (15) days after your receipt of this Notice. An Application for Relief from Penalty must be signed and sworn on oath before a notary public. You will be duly notified by the department of its action on your Application.

## Terms

The Department of Ecology may grant you relief from the penalty imposed herein on whatever terms the department deems to be in the best interests of carrying out the purposes of Chapter 70.105 RCW. The department thus notifies you that you Application for Relief from Penalty will be considered only if you commit to the following and the department is convinced that compliance is imminent.

- Within 10 days after the receipt of this Notice, submit a letter of intent as to the continued operation of the RBT site. Should you elect to continue to operate the site, a final dangerous waste permit must be secured before any further activity is allowed and a Part B permit application will be called immediately by EPA.
- 2. Should you elect to close the RBT site, you must:
  - a. Submit a ground water monitoring plan capable of determining the facility's impact on the quality of ground water in the uppermost aquifer containing those elements stated in 40 CFR Subpart F, and a schedule of implementation, by July 11, 1983, for review and approval. The plan is to commence within 10 days of approval.
  - b. Submit a closure plan, post-closure plan (if aplicable) and schedule for implementation, for review and approval by July 30, 1983, with a draft submitted by July 13, 1983 for initial comments. The plans should address those elements contained in 40 CFR Part 265 Subpart G and 40 CFR 265.310. Impelementation of the plan is to commence within 30 days after notice to proceed is received.
  - c. Submit evidence of financial assurance to fund site closure, post-closure, and addressing those elements contained in 40 CFR 265.143 and 265.145 appropriate monitoring and testing, within 10 days after notice to proceed with closure is received.

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Each submittal is to be concurrently sent to the following for review:

Tom Eaton
State of Washington
Department of Ecology
7272 Clean Water Lane, MS LU-11
Olympia, WA 98504

George Hofer
U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency - Region X
1200 Sixth Avenue, M/S 532
Seattle, WA 98101

Approval of said submittals will be coordinated and issued by the WDOE.

DATED at Olympia, Washington

Bruce A. Cameron
Assistant Director
Department of Ecology

Department of Ecology State of Washington